



## USDA AMS Weekly Shell Egg Demand Indicator

(Calculated estimate of demand for shell eggs based on current production and on inventory clearance rate.)

June 23, 2021

**The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is -7.20, down 0.6 points from last week.**

### This Week:

Demand for shell eggs over the past week is about unchanged and continues to track below average despite the active level of retail featuring over the most recent ad cycle. Wholesale prices for cartoned eggs remain steady but supplies are becoming more manageable and offerings are moderate. Trading continues at a slow to moderate pace. Prices on the loose egg market are steady to firm but offerings remain fully adequate for moderate to , at times, heavy supplies. Trading is slow to moderate. Wholesale breaking stock prices are holding with offerings and supplies in a balance with good interest and moderate to active trading. The preliminary survey of retail outlets indicates a sharp decline in activity for both caged and specialty types from last week's active pace. The average ad price is currently down from last week's level.

### Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

U.S. table egg layer flock	314,171,112	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Percentage flock in molt	2.1%	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Productive table egg layer flock	<b>307,612,946</b>	(total flock - (total flock * molt))

### Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table egg layer rate	82.0%	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Total egg production	252,226,704	(total productive flock * lay rate)
Total eggs into breaking stock	78,303,240	(31.04% of daily shell egg production to breakers)
Table eggs for in-shell use	173,923,464	(egg production * (100% - % to breaking stock))
Table eggs for in-shell use (in cases)	<b>483,121</b>	(eggs for table use ÷ 360 eggs per case)

### Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

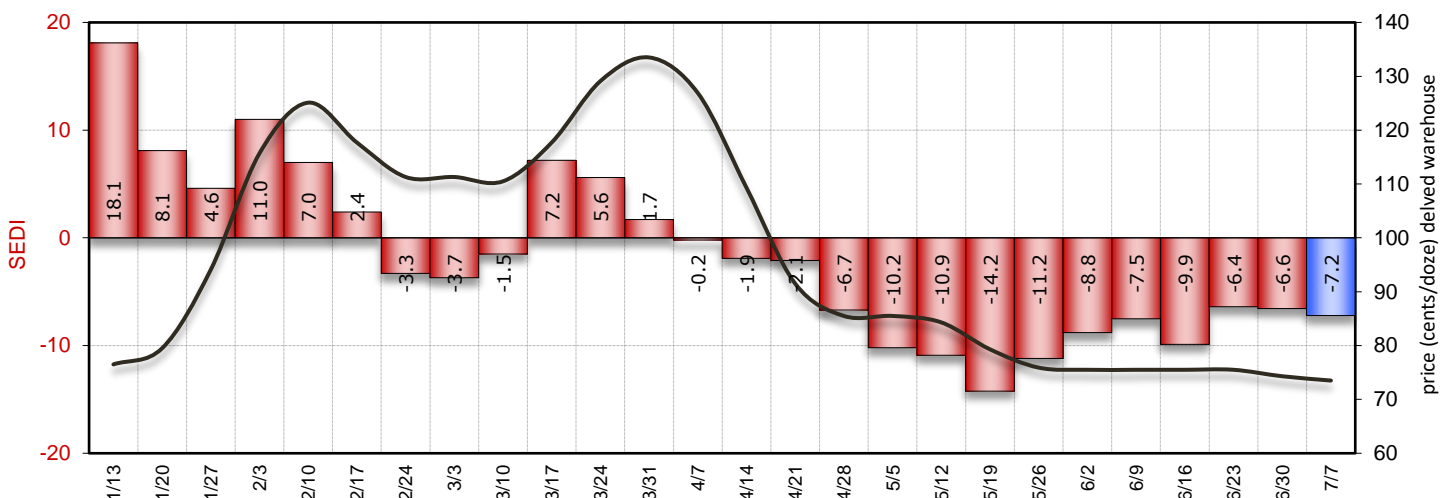
(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

USDA shell egg inventory	1,605,100	30-dozen cases (from <i>USDA Weekly Shell Egg Inventory</i> report)
Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock	63.0%	(shell egg inventory cooperators control 63% of productive flock)
Shell egg cases produced each day	304,366	(produced by inventory cooperators' flocks (daily production * 63%)) (760,915 cases expected weekend (2.5 days) carryover)
26-week rolling average of days on hand	4.89	(average of the last 26 week's days of eggs on hand)
Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing	<b>5.27</b>	(inventory ÷ cases produced per day)

### Shell Egg Demand Indicator

**-7.20** ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) \* 100

### Shell Egg Demand Indicator vs. USDA Midwest Large Cartoned Shell Egg



Sources: [USDA NASS Monthly Chicken and Eggs \(pec-bb\); Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type](#)  
[USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News; SHELL EGGS: Weekly Shell Egg Inventory \(Mon\)](#)  
[USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News; PROCESSED EGGS: Weekly Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection \(Wed\)](#)

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